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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Personnel Director

SUBJECT : [REDACTED]

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1. Returned herewith is your study, dated 16 November 1953, concerning the above subject. After consideration of this case I should like to note for the record the reasons underlying my approval for certain expenses under Section 10.12 of the Confidential Funds Regulations.

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a. Subsequent to [REDACTED]'s cabled intent to resign, TSS advised the Field and [REDACTED] that the resignation could not be accepted until she had been debriefed and all accountings satisfied.

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b. Later it was agreed that [REDACTED] could be debriefed and could satisfy her accountings in the Field. These conditions for an acceptance of a resignation were not satisfied and, therefore, the Agency, acting through TSS, was in error by processing her resignation without advice from the Field Station or [REDACTED] that the conditions for acceptance of the resignation had been satisfied. This error in judgment is the key to the subsequent injustice to Mrs. [REDACTED]

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c. On 20 July 1953 TSS learned that [REDACTED] had been hospitalized since 23 June and that her weakened condition would prohibit satisfaction of the conditions for acceptance of the resignation, i.e. debriefing and satisfaction of the accountings, prior to 1 September 1953. Again, at this point, TSS was in error in not attempting to correct the previous mistake of processing [REDACTED] resignation.

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d. The seriousness of [REDACTED] condition became apparent after her arrival in the United States and it would not be unwarranted to assume that during most of the period she was not in adequate mental and physical health to comply with the conditions for acceptance of her resignation.

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e. In view of all of the circumstances in the case and the particulars mentioned above, it would appear that were it not for security reasons surrounding [REDACTED] employment with the Agency and her special duties, she would have two courses open to her:

(1) With skilled legal advice there is some reason to believe that she might substantiate some part of her claim for expenses in the Court of Claims.

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(2) In other situations where employees have suffered personal hardships based on administrative errors of the employing agencies, private bills for relief have been supported in the Congress and in many cases the agency concerned is the moving party providing substantiation.

2. I believe that every effort should be made to have both her WAEPA and hospitalization insurance reinstated. However, in both cases I believe the pertinent facts should be made known to the respective organizations. In the event the hospitalization policy cannot be reinstated, I approve the payment of medical expenses under Section 10.12 of the Confidential Funds Regulations to the extent that the hospitalization policy would have reimbursed for such expenses. In addition, I approve, under Section 10.12 of the Confidential Funds Regulations, reimbursement of subject's return travel to the United States in amounts to be determined in accordance with normal Agency Regulations.

Attachment

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L. K. WHITE
Acting Deputy Director
(Administration)

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